

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Christoph KIRSCH, et al. Confirmation No.: 3234
Application No.: 09/831,272 Examiner: MARVICH, Maria
Date Filed: August 13, 2001 Group: 1633
For: CHIMERIC PROMOTERS CAPABLE OF MEDIATING GENE
EXPRESSION IN PLANTS UPON PATHOGEN INFECTION AND USES
THEREOF

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 12, 2006. This response is being filed with a petition for a three-month retroactive extension of time and the required fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount due for any retroactive extensions of time and any deficiency in any fees due with the filing of this paper or credit any overpayment in any fees paid on the filing or during prosecution of this application to Deposit Account No. 50-0951.

Amendments to the claims start on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

Declaration of Dr. Imne Somssich and associated references are filed with this response.